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In re U.S. Patent Application of:)
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed February 28, 2002.
This paper is timely in that a Notice of Appeal was filed in the PTO on August 28, 2002, along
with a petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 6. Please amend claims 1, 7, 20 and 22 as follows:

-- 1 (Amended). Apparatus for use in playing and practicing ball games comprising
generally inclined upper guideway, generally inclined or horizontal lower guideway,
substantially inelastic reciprocating means connected to and freely moveable along said upper
and lower guideways, a ball connected to said reciprocating means, a first upstanding stable
support connected to the first ends of the upper and lower guideways, and a second, spaced apart,
upstanding stable support connected to the second ends of the upper and lower guideways.--

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